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| Applicant: John L. Fulton et al. |) | Art Unit: 1709 |
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| Application No.: 10/783,249 |) | Examiner: Nicole R. Blan |
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Commissioner:

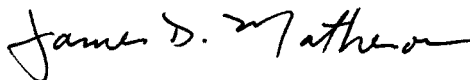
In response to the Examiner's Action mailed 06/01/2007, applicant submits the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 3 of this response.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this response.

Should the Examiner identify any further requirements, she is invited to contact the undersigned for resolution thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James D. Matheson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "M" and a long, sweeping underline.

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